

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Raymond J. Bergeron, Jr.

Application No.: 09/981,586 Group: 1626
(Reissue of U.S. Patent No. 6,083,966)

Filed: October 17, 2001 Examiner: L. L. Stockton

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For: THIAZOLINE ACID DERIVATIVES

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[] A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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* not fewer than 20

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SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDIT. FEE
X \$9	\$
X \$43	\$
+ \$145	\$

TOTAL = \$ 0

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SMALL ENTITY

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Respectfully submitted,

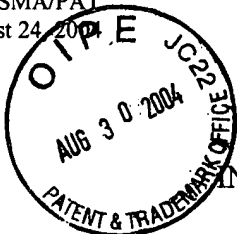
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on February 24, 2004 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

An extension of time to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this Amendment.

Telephonic Interview

The undersigned would like to thank Examiner Stockton for allowing the telephonic interview of July 26, 2004 between the Examiner and the undersigned and also the follow-up communication of July 27, 2004. As a result of these communications, it was agreed that the presentation of Claims 21, 22, 24 and 25 in independent form, and other minor amendments to Claims 10 and 13 (as discussed below), would place the application in condition for allowance. Furthermore, it was agreed that amendment of the claims in this manner would not effect the status of the application as a narrowing Reissue. The claims have been amended in accordance with the above-referenced communications. A Supplemental Declaration is being filed concurrently.